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FRIDAY, MARCH 17, 1922.

The Bonus Challenge to the President.

President Harding is due to arrive in Washington Sunday. He will not get back too soon. The success of his Administration hangs in the balance.

The Fordneys and the Mondells are running amuck. In spite of the protest of the President, in spite of the protest of Secretary of the Treasury Mellon.

Strong men do not yield from positions so soundly taken; President Harding will not yield his position on the bonus.

The attitude of these insistent bonus raiders of the Treasury has assumed the proportions of a scandal.

When party insurgency reaches this stage the President cannot maintain his control as the head of his party unless he meets their challenge and has it out with them.

The Flower Show.

The benevolent purposes which are served by the annual Flower Show are but incidents of the exhibition of what the growers have accomplished during the months that have passed since the last previous display of their skill and industry.

Growers of fine flowers as this exhibition reveals cannot fail to be a source of delight to all who have the opportunity to see them.

Possibly it is through the classes of the commercial growers that the public at large will be most benefited.

that of the owner of the most expensive greenhouses, who is able to allow his gardener every facility to devote himself to winning the first prize for a rare flower.

St. Patrick's Day.

St. Patrick's Day comes this year to find the saint's land filled with opposites. Hope and fear, triumph and disappointment, opportunity and danger, all are mingled in Ireland.

If St. Patrick is looking down upon his people he sees them in possession of a measure of freedom larger than the Irish statesmen of a preceding generation dreamed of obtaining.

And yet he sees a division, not only between the south and the north, where the division is ancient, racial and religious, but among the people whose unity, now that their freedom is assured, should be complete.

The old saying is that God is good to the Irish. If He will be good to them for the next three months, until the people of the south of Ireland have had a chance to vote on the acceptance or rejection of the treaty.

The Case of Mary Ellen.

The report made by Dr. PRINCE of the American Research Society on the weird happenings at Antigonish will not satisfy either the confirmed believers in ghosts or those hardened cynics who, as Dr. PRINCE says, "believe that matter and force are the sole two factors in the universe."

The investigator's conclusion that MARY ELLEN—or rather her other personality—set the fires is based on circumstantial evidence. She had the opportunity. She was always in the house when or immediately before the blazes were discovered.

Dr. PRINCE attributes the phenomena to Farmer MacDonald's sixteen-year-old daughter, MARY ELLEN. But she was "almost certainly without guilt, probably in an altered state of consciousness and possibly influenced by a discarnate agency."

Dr. PRINCE, in describing the girl whom he holds physically but not morally responsible for the mischief, says she is "very young mentally, but a happy, fun loving child who, her foster mother says, has always been a good child."

Why are children chosen as the particular medium of these uncanny happenings, some of which have not been as satisfactorily explained as the Antigonish case? Is it because the young, unformed mind is an easy battleground for the secondary or evil personality which comes to the top now and then, overcomes the everyday personality, and raises hob with the individual's surroundings?

Observers of psychic phenomena have wondered why, in the many examples of dual consciousness which have appeared, the secondary personality has been almost always of a wicked bent. The girl who in her normal state is obedient and cheerful becomes, when inhabited by her other self, a maker of mischief and sometimes of serious damage.

But are there ghosts? That is what many readers, disappointed by Dr. PRINCE's findings, will ask. The doctor himself leaves the gate open. Possibly, he says, MARY ELLEN was

"influenced by a discarnate agency." Like most wise men who have tried to sound the psychic depths, he does not admit that there are ghosts nor does he deny their existence.

Murdered Policemen.

Patrolman JOHN H. McMAHILL of the New York city police force was shot and killed Wednesday while on duty in Brooklyn. He had been a policeman seven years and had kept a spotless record in the performance of his duty.

South African Rebellion.

The rebellion in South Africa, which began about two weeks ago with a strike in the Rand gold mining district and quickly developed armed clashes between the miners and their sympathizers on one side and the police and Government troops on the other, has been effectively crushed, according to late information from Johannesburg, near the scene of the revolt.

Two interesting incidents of the situation was that the African natives, who have always been considered one of the unknown factors in the South African situation, did not take part in the rebellion, and that the authorities of this strong Boer section of the South African Union stood firmly back of the Government.

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In commenting upon the end of the uprising some of the London newspapers openly acknowledge the Soviet origin of the trouble. The Daily Express, in giving credit to Premier SMUTS, declares that he "turned back Bolshevism" and that in saving South Africa "he taught a lesson to the world."

It is reported that the Austrian crown jewels have been sold in France. The report should be received with caution. It may be merely an advertisement for a crafty scheme to peddle bogus crown jewels to credulous persons.

Kansas Checks the Wind.

One of the handicaps imposed by nature on farmers in certain localities is wastage of topsoil, which is blown away by high winds after alternate periods of freezing and thawing which pulverize the earth.

The Chicago police suspect that the fire which killed one man and burned up \$10,000,000 in buildings in their city on Wednesday was started by an incendiary. If this is the case and the guilty man is captured he should be prosecuted for murder.

The Shamrock.

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yielded from ten to twenty bushels of wheat to the acre. In all, according to statistics collected by the Department of Agriculture, 656 Kansas farmers in fourteen counties are getting better crops from 8,056 acres by following this method.

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At the Grand Opera House.

An Evening's Outing for Six at a Cost of Less Than \$5. To THE NEW YORK HERALD: Your article on the past glories of the Grand Opera House, Twenty-third street and Eighth avenue, brought back memories of thirty-three years ago.

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Boston Symphony Gives Final Concert

John McCormack as Soloist Sings Irish Fantasies by Charles Martin Loeffler. By W. J. HENDERSON. The final evening concert of the Boston Symphony Orchestra for the present season was that given in Carnegie Hall last night.

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Daily Calendar

THE WEATHER. For Eastern New York—Fair to-day; to-morrow increasing cloudiness and somewhat warmer; diminishing northwest and north shifting to northeast winds.

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What Europe Needs.

Ordered System of Government and Encouragement to Trade. From Westminster Gazette. What is the one thing necessary for the rehabilitation of central Europe? It is that they should drop the plea of "political and international necessity" and concentrate upon the economic needs of the world.

Public Lectures to-night.

MANHATTAN AND THE 11th ST. "Trend of the Times," Art by E. Rice, at New York Club, 24 West 57th street.

Highest Honor at Smith.

NORTHAMPTON, Mass., March 16.—Announcement was made to-day by President William A. Nelson that Miss Marjorie W. Conklin of Hutchinson, Kan., has been chosen president of the Smith College student body.

Temple to Lay Stone Sunday.

The cornerstone of a new synagogue and community center of Temple Israel in West Ninety-first street, between Broadway and Amsterdam avenue, will be laid Sunday afternoon.

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